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8th grade English

Vocab List

Character Traits

**What a Character!**

1. affable - (adj.) courteous and pleasant, sociable, easy to speak to

2. benevolent - (adj.) generous in providing aid to others

3. callous - (adj.) emotionally hardened, unfeeling

4. compassionate - (adj.) showing mercy

5. cynical - (adj.) believing the worst of human nature and motives

6. disingenuous - (adj.) not straightforward; lacking in sincerity; pretending to know less than one

actually does

7. extroverted (adj.) - energized rather than drained by interactions with others

8. gregarious - (adj.) seeking and enjoying the company of others

9. impressionable - (adj.) easily influenced

10. intuitive - (adj.) knowing or perceiving quickly and readily, instinctive, untaught

11. naïve – (adj.) showing a lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment; not worldly; innocent

12. obstinate - (adj.) resistant to guidance or discipline

13. passionate - (adj.) ardent, fervent, strong; having or expressing strong emotions

14. pretentious - (adj.) intended to attract notice and impress others

15. reflective - (adj.) deep; thoughtful

16. ruthless - (adj.) without mercy or pity

17. superficial - (adj.) concerned only with what is on the surface or obvious; shallow

18. timid - (adj.) showing fear and lack of confidence

19. vindictive - (adj.) treacherous; showing malicious ill will and a desire to hurt

20. witty - (adj.) clever or amusing (opposite of witless)